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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB677 by Hartnett (Relating to violations of laws administered and enforced by the Texas Ethics Commission and to sworn complaints alleging such violations.), As Passed 2nd House

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend statute and require the Texas Ethics Commission to develop rules concerning technical and clerical violations and adds sections concerning the filing of sworn complaints by state residents or property owners. The Ethics Commission indicates that any costs associated with implementation of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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